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From the Leiden Gazette, dated July 26.

Paris, July 13.

'TIS reported at Court that the Marſhal de Villars lately ſent word to the King, that he could maintain his Camp at Lauingen for a conſiderable time, and that if Prince Lewis of Baden ſhould advance thither to attack him, he would wait his coming; and 'tis ſaid he is ſo confident of having ſufficiently ſecur'd his Army, that he concluded his Letter with theſe words, 'The Juſtice of your 'Majeſty's Cauſe, the Valour of your Troops, the 'ſtrong Situation of my Camp, and the ardent De-'ſire I have to ſhew my ſelf worthy of the eminent 'Characters with which your Majeſty has been 'pleas'd to honour me, give me grounds to hope for 'certain Succeſs. But ſome People, who are not too eaſie of belief, are doubtful of the Truth of this Report; And there are private Letters from Switzerland which adviſe, that the Marſhal de Villars is in no little perplexity, and apprehenſive he ſhall not be able to keep his Ground againſt the Superior Force of the Prince of Baden. Be that as it will, 'tis certain the King has ſent order to this Marſhal to agree with the Enemyupon a Cartel for exchange of Priſoners, to the end the French Officers that have been taken, may be the ſooner reſtor'd. The Couriers from Madrid come more frequently of late than formerly, whence 'tis conjectur'd the Affair of Portugal's entring into the Grand Alliance does not a little perplex the two United Crowns. The Duke of Alva is ſhortly expected here to ſucceed the Marquels of Caſtel dos Rios Ambaſſador of Spain. The Spyes ſeiz'd not long ſince at Cadiz, are brought from thence to Madrid, and the Proceſs againſt them will be drawn up by the Council of Caſtile. 'Tis the current Talk that they were ſent from Lisbon by the Amirante of Caſtile, to take a View of the new Fortifications of Cadiz, and to inform themſelves of the Number of Troops garriſon'd in it. The great Rains that for ſome Weeks paſt have fallen in ſeveral Provinces of this Kingdom, have very much damnified the Corn, and the Vines, which has already begun to make Bread and Wine dear.

From the Amſterdam Courant, dated July 26.

Liege, July 20. The French Party-Leader Collonel la Croix, laid a Deſign to Surprize our Out-guards of the Chartreuſe on the other ſide the Maes; which miſcarry'd, for our Men being watchful repuls'd him, and oblig'd him to move off. We are in Expectation of 2 Battallions to ſtrengthen our Garriſon. The King of France has ſent a Letter to the Elector our Prince, in which he thanks him for the good Service perform'd by his Electoral Highneſs's Troops in the Battle of Eckeren, and tells him, he is inclin'd to furniſh him with Money for raiſing more ſuch Regiments.

Breda, July 24. The Baron de Boſe, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of Poland, and the Envoy of the Great Duke of Tuſcany, to Her Brittannick Majeſty, lately come from England, are arriv'd here, and are lodg'd in our Governour's Houſe; They will take the opportunity of the firſt great Convoy, to go to the Army, and viſit his Excellency the Duke of Marlborough.

Maeſtricht, July 23. Two days ago ſeveral Parties of the Garriſon of Limburg, poſted themſelves in Ambuſh between Aix la Capelle and this Place, and ſeiz'd the Poſt that ordinarily brings the Letters from Germany to Liege and this City; Whereupon yeſterday Morning a Drum was ſent from hence to the Governour of Limburg, to demand the Reſtitution of the ſaid Mail.

From the Amſterdam Courant, dated July 28.

Liege, July 24. Within a few days the Boat between this Place and Huy, began to paſs and repaſs as formerly, being provided with Paſſports on both Sides. The Governour of Limburg having broken the Agreement made for the mutual Security of the Poſts, by ſeizing a Mail that was coming hither from Germany, 'tis thought we ſhall endeavour to make Repriſals.

Maeſtricht, July 25. Meſſieurs Groeninx and Burmania, their High Mightineſſes Deputies, are gone from hence to Aix la Chappelle; their Secretary, who went before, was ſeiz'd by a Party of the Garriſon of Limburg, and was claim'd by a Trumpeter ſent from hence; the Trumpeter return'd yeſterday, but without the Secretary; and ſoon after came back the Drummer who was ſent to the ſame Place to demand our Mail that was taken coming from Germany; who brought Anſwer from the Governour, that what he had done was very juſtifiable, ſeeing the Allies have broken off all Correſpondence with the two United Crowns, and in particular have put a ſtop to all Communication between Limburg and Bruſſels through the Country of Liege.

Kinſale, July 13. Yeſterday the Duke of Ormond went hence about 8 in the Morning, being accompanied out of Town by the ſame Attendance that waited upon His Excellency at his Entrance; he was to Dine at the Earl of Inchequeen's, and to lye laſt Night at Cork.

Falmouth, July 19. Yeſterday the Sidney brought in here from the Weſtward a French Prize call'd the John and William from Ramſgate, taken the laſt War. The ſame day came in the Alliance Pacquet-Boat with a Mail in 19 days from Lisbon, who about 10 days ago took a French Prize call'd the St. Dennis of and from Dunkirk, with Corn bound for the Canaries.

Plymouth, July 20. Yeſterday about 60 Sail of Merchant Ships from Portugal paſs'd through the Soundings to the Eaſtward, under the Convoy of Her Majeſty's Ships the Reſtauration and Northumberland; and this day put in here 3 Dutch Merchant-Men bound for Fluſhing.

Sheilds, July 20. Yeſterday ſail'd hence for the Eaſt-Country a Fleet of 72 Sail, under Convoy of 4 Men of War; the 2 Men of War which went for Scotland are return'd, and 100 Sail of laden Colliers being ready to ſail hence, will ſail with them to the Southward. We hear ſome of the laſt Fleet that ſail'd without Convoy, are taken by the French.

Hull, July 21. On Sunday paſs'd by a Fleet of laden

laden Colliers without Convoy; and yesterday we had Advice from Scarborough, that on Friday last the Privateer mention'd to be seen on that Coast, took a Hoy of that Town, and in the Evening was joyn'd by another Privateer of 8 Guns and 4 Pattareroes; and the next day as the aforesaid Fleet of Colliers pass'd by, took 3 of those which fell behind, one of which belongs to London, another to Yarmouth, and the third to Lynn, and were riding with them till they were Ransom'd, which being done, they are since come into this Peere. The Wolf Sloop of Grimsby sailing from Grimsby to Convoy some Vessels Northward, being afraid of them, was oblig'd to put into Scarborough.

Harwich, July 22. A Transport Ship, with about 90 Exchang'd Prisoners, arriv'd here yesterday from Ostend. In the last Pacquet-Boat from Holland came over the Countess of Salisbury from her Travels, but last from France. A Fleet of light Colliers are sail'd to the Northward.

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